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<i>Art Unit</i>	2872	
<i>Examiner Name</i>	Mark J. Consilvio	
<i>Attorney Docket Number</i>	81870.0027	

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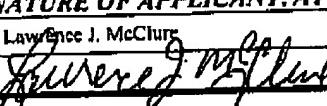
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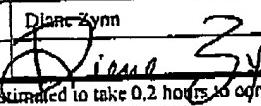
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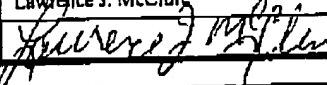
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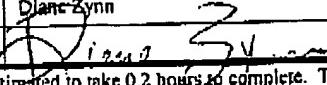
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